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## House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 8, 2004, at 12:30 p.m.

## Senate

MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2004

The Senate met at 1:31 p.m. and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. STEVENS].

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Almighty God, generous giver of wonderful gifts, thank You for the life of former President Ronald Wilson Reagan and for the gift of talented leaders. We praise You for people with vision who see things that are not and ask, why not. Thank You for visionaries who call us out of the night of selfish living to the sunrise of sacrifice and service. Help us to celebrate the lives of faithful leaders while they can still hear our appreciation.

Thank You for the Members of Congress who provide stellar leadership. Keep them from evil and infuse them with a spirit of kindness.

As death reminds us of life's brevity, we turn our eyes toward You, O God. You are our refuge and strength and not even death can separate us from Your love. We pray in Your changeless Name. Amen.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The PRESIDENT pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader is recognized.

### SCHEDULE

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, today is a solemn day. In fact, this is a solemn week for the Senate as well as the entire country, as we pay special tribute to the life and to the Presidency of the late Ronald Reagan, the 40th President of the United States.

Many Members are asking about the schedule for this week and when they may have the opportunity to make appropriate remarks. In light of the events surrounding this occasion, I do not expect the Senate to conduct normal business this week. I believe we should postpone the scheduled votes in relation to Defense authorization until next week. This week we will have several resolutions relating to the passing of President Reagan. In a moment we will pass the first of these resolutions.

Members should be aware that although we will not be voting in relation to the Defense bill, rollcall votes may be scheduled this week in relation to the various resolutions scheduled over the course of the week saluting the life and legacy of Ronald Reagan. No votes will occur prior to 2:15 p.m. on Tuesday in any event. I will have more to say on the voting schedule later today.

In addition, we will have extended morning business periods through Wednesday to accommodate Senators who desire to speak.

### MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that the order providing for the consideration of the Defense authorization bill for today be vitiated and that the Senate continue in a period of morning business with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### FILING OF AMENDMENTS

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I further state that the filing deadline for amendments will remain in place for 5 p.m. today.

### AUTHORIZATION FOR THE LYING IN STATE OF THE LATE RONALD WILSON REAGAN, 40TH PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Con. Res. 115 which is at the desk.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 115) authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for the lying in state of the remains of the late Ronald Wilson Reagan, 40th President of the United States.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

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